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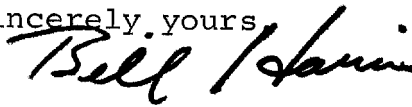
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I thought you might appreciate a copy of one of the less readily available items on my bibliography, a speech which follows a long and illustrious tradition, "The Crossroads Ahead."

Having suggested to General Vandenburg and to Secretary of the Air Force Finletter that the image of the Air Force was in need of improvement, Professor (and Brig. Gen.) W. Barton Leach found himself spending much of his time writing speeches for the C/S, USAF and for the Secretary of the Air Force. Finally, he urged the acquisition of Charles J. V. Murphy to help out on a full-time basis. Murphy was duly commissioned (as a Colonel). But Leach found that much of his time continued to be spent on speech-writing.

One day, in one of his more humorous moods, Leach turned out a collection of materials on "diverse aspects" of defense policy, including on pages 7-8 "The Crossroads Ahead."

Sincerely yours,



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Enclosure:

Brig. Gen. W. Barton Leach, USAF,
"The Crossroads Ahead," pp. 7-8.

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